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C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 1649

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, PO, PFOR

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION OF NEW PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT

REF: STATE 086681

1. IN OUR VIEW, IT IS IMPORTANT TO OUR NATIONAL INTERESTS  
IN PORTUGAL THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM THE JUNTA  
NOW, WITHOUT WAITING TO BE ASKED, THAT WE CONSIDER THAT  
OUR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL CONTINUE AND THAT  
WE DO NOT CONSIDER ANY FORMAL ACT OF RECOGNITION  
NECESSARY. IF WE DELAY UNTIL SOME INDEFINITE POINT IN  
THE FUTURE, WHEN THE SITUATION CAN BE CERTIFIED AS HAVING  
BEEN NORMALIZED AND STABILIZED, WE MAY GIVE THE JUNTA  
THE IMPRESSION THAT WE WERE RELUCTANT TO DEAL WITH THEM.  
WE FEEL THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE JUNTA AND THE  
OUTSIDE WORLD BE GIVEN THE CONTRARY IMPRESSION THAT  
WE WELCOME THE CHANGE WHICH HAS OPENED TOTALLY NEW  
PERSPECTIVES ON THE PORTUGUESE AFRICAN PROBLEM AND  
PLACED METROPOLITAN PORTUGAL ON THE ROAD TO GENUINE  
DEMOCRACY. A JUNTA WHOSE ADVENT TO POWER GAINED PROMPT  
WELCOME FROM THE USG WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE A MORE  
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AMENABLE NEGOTIATOR WITH REGARD TO THE AZORES THAN

ONE WHICH WAS GIVEN SOME GROUNDS FOR BELIEVING THAT  
THE US HAD SOME RESERVATIONS ABOUT IT.

2. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.  
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